



Haliburton County Home Support hosted a workshop placing people in the shoes of physically challenged individuals. Participants wore weights on ankles, wrists, goggles (simulating vision challenges) and a water wing, simulating rheumatism. Clarissa Townsend, wearing goggles to mimic the affects of cataracts, takes a closer look at the computer as her workshop partner, Myrtle Bouthoorn, looks on during the activity of performing everyday tasks such as looking up information on the computer.

A lesson in empathy

*What's it like to have cataracts, rheumatism, mobility problems and deafness?
Community Care volunteers and Reporter Lance Crossley find out*

With photos by Darren Lum

Uncomfortable. Irritable. And a little grumpy. Those were my initial feelings after participating in "Through Other Eyes", a two-hour workshop aimed at giving volunteers first-hand experience at what daily existence is like for seniors and people with disabilities.

The workshop, staged by Community Care last Wednesday morning, is essentially an exercise in empathy. Participants are asked to burden themselves with various accessories that emulate dysfunctions that come with aging and then to carry out a number of simple tasks with their newly impaired selves.

First, to give me a more cumbersome body, there was the five-pound weight strapped to my left ankle, complimented by a slightly lighter weight on my right wrist. Then a bright orange water wing on my upper left arm to simulate rheumatism. Two ear plugs to deafen sounds. Two pairs of latex gloves to deaden sensation. A pair of blurry goggles to give me cataracts. And the final accent to my transformation: an adjustable cane.

Granted, as was suggested by workshop trainer Monica Jensen, only one per cent of the population over 65 will be afflicted with all of these disabilities simultaneously, but even those who are partially suffering don't have the luxury of shedding their disguise when the lesson's over.



Participants in the Through Other Eyes workshop had to work through a number of tasks with several age related handicaps in order to better understand some of the difficulties of growing old.

In my group there are two other women who are given the same disabilities, except instead of cataracts, one has tunnel vision and the other macular degeneration, the latter of which creates dark blotches in your field of vision. My cataracts, which blur everything, effectively render me useless for many of my group's activities, such as finding a newspaper and reading the weather page. So tunnel vision and I have to rely on macular degeneration to tell us the news.

At one of the first stations we are told to do up two buttons on a dress shirt. Seems simple enough, but the shirt is white, as are the buttons, and my cataracts don't allow me to discern the contrast. Even when I do locate them, the lack of sensation in my hands makes it difficult to put the button through the slit. I do one button up and tell my partners that I did both. They can't see it anyway.

A number of supposedly simple tasks follow: picking up a deck of cards and finding the Queen of Hearts, finding two buttons of the same colour in a can of assorted buttons, finding two paperclips of the same colour and trying to link them together. At one point I have to open a jar, which would have been easier had the trainer not come and taped together my thumb and two fingers to give me arthritis.

After performing these tasks I finally

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Aging a slow disengagement from the world

'Your senses no longer take the trouble to inform you properly'

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understand what Carol Duncan, an 81-year-old disabled senior, told us in the group discussion afterward: "Don't do for seniors what they can do for themselves."

Duncan has been a paraplegic since she was three years old because of a bout with polio, and in her advanced years has acquired cataracts, arthritis, and two hearing aids.

It's not that seniors don't need help – I certainly needed it when I was buttoning up the shirt – it's just that you don't want to derail their considerable efforts during the undertaking. In other words, for me, finding the Queen of Hearts in the deck of cards was an engrossing event. It took sustained focus to complete. I had no doubt that I could eventually do it, but it would have somewhat annoyed me if someone took the cards from me halfway through and stole the momentum I had built up toward my goal. That's why you see old ladies getting angry with young men who forcefully take their arm to guide them across the street. One has to carefully read the situation before acting on stereotypes.

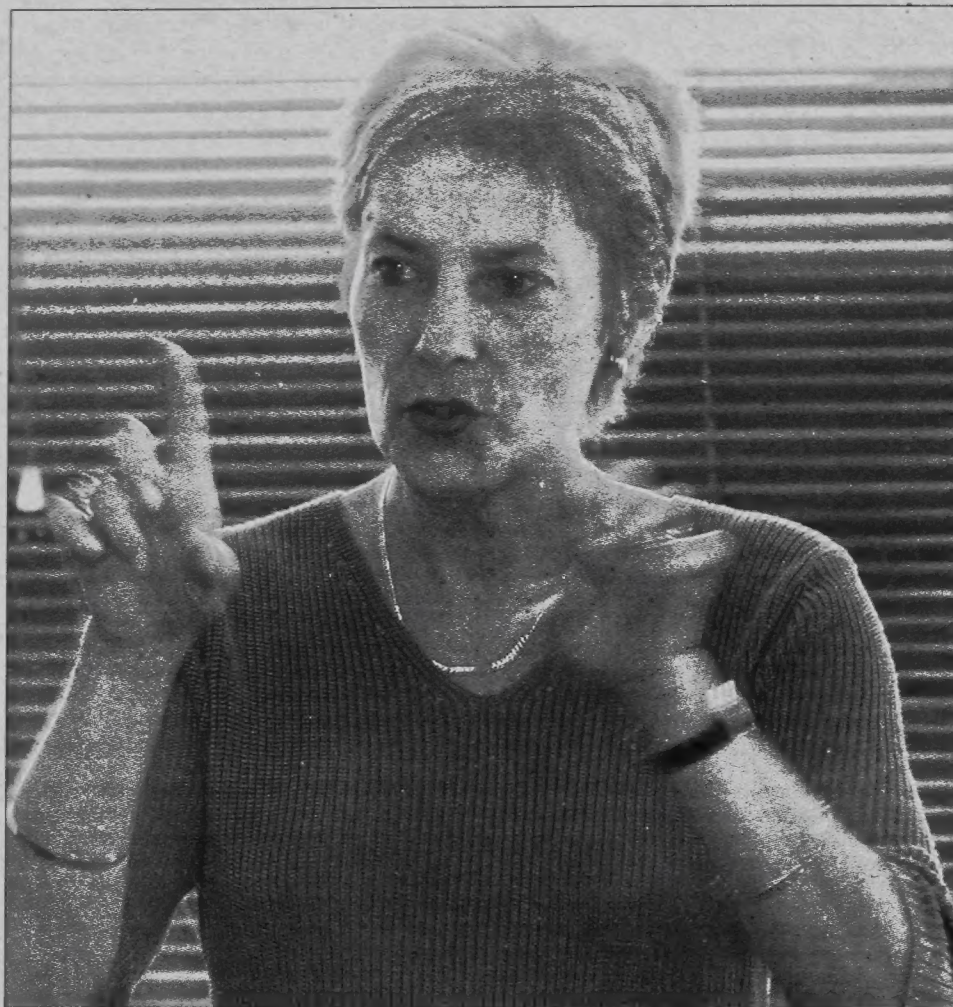
About halfway through the workshop I trade my cataracts for my partner's macular degeneration. It may be perverted to say, but it's almost a relief at this point to have macular degeneration. Vision is one of the primary complaints from participants in the workshop.

"Not to be able to see well has got to be the most difficult thing," says Mickey Bonham, a volunteer with Community Care and one of my partners during the exercise. "My clients describe for me what it is like, say, to try to take medication and so on. But it's hard to know when you don't have the same disabilities."

This doesn't surprise Jensen.

"People find that the sight is the most difficult," says Jensen, who has been conducting this workshop on behalf of the Ontario Community Support Association for the past eight years. "That and the fact they are so tired from lack of mobility."

The later part of her statement is certainly coming true as the workshop proceeds. We're shuffled from one end of the building to the other and back again. We're told to stand in line so we can order from a Meals-on-Wheels menu. At one point, we are supposed to find a computer and locate a certain website, but the group in front of us is taking so long to type we end up saying



Workshop trainer Monika Jensen says the things participants find the most difficult are the lack of vision and the lack of mobility.

the hell with it.

When you are old, waiting is a form of torture. Your existing ailments all turn up a few notches, and the kind of white noise generated from that discomfort is almost unbearable. No wonder some get grumpy.

Becoming sensitive and understanding this kind of suffering is why Community Care had OCSA bring in the workshop, which has served a wide-range of clients including care workers, manufacturers and architects. At this particular workshop alone, there were representatives from various volunteer agencies, the Rails End Gallery, and even a dental hygienist. The lessons in empathy are applicable to just about anyone, but it will be especially useful for Community Care volunteers.

"I thought this workshop would be beneficial to our volunteers. All our volunteers deal with seniors, so they need to know as much as they can," says Roxanne Casey, resource development co-ordinator for Community Care.

One's physiology betrays its master.

I believe we begin to get old when a chasm is struck between the body and the soul. It's akin to a light bulb. With the young, we are unable to distinguish the hard outer shell from the tungsten filament within; body and soul presents itself as one shining light. It is only with age that we begin to mark the dividing line.

And for the old, witnessing that gradual division can be disheartening. Not only for the physical discomfort it engenders, but also for the esoteric knowledge it brings: the foreshadowing of what is inevitably yet to come.

Other cultures – in fact, I would say most other cultures – regard the old with respect. For other societies aging represents wisdom and, for their young, the responsibility of taking care of those who came before and served them. In western culture, namely North America, we don't share that world view.

Someone once said, if you want to find out the values of a culture, look to its advertising. It doesn't take long to realize we are a culture that is geared toward the young. Mostly every product is marketed by associating it with youth and vibrancy. The most fitting example is Viagra, a product that directly exploits the natural aging process by making men feel guilty about it. Another example is plastic surgery, an industry that had 9.2 million customers last year in the United States alone. Meanwhile, our televisions, which are built around advertising, are littered with extreme dating, extreme sports and anything else young and able bodies can perform.

In a few short years one in four Canadians will be a 65 and older. Undoubtedly, aging will not go well for all of them. But if, in their corporeal decline, they become uncomfortable, irritable, or even a little grumpy – it might serve us all well if they are regarded with a little compassion and some simple human decency. Who knows? The favour may even be returned one day.

After endlessly repeating things to each other, misunderstanding each other, dropping things and making a general fool out of ourselves, I start to wonder if there is such thing as senility. It seems to me that our buffoonery is almost entirely connected to our physical decline, not our mental decline. The physical impairments merely give us the aura of losing our marbles.

Getting old, particularly for the afflicted, can be seen as the gradual disengagement from the world. Your senses no longer take the trouble to inform you properly.

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I saw buds starting on the trees and many young plants poking up through the earth. I heard the geese and ducks overhead and the roar of the falls as the spring run off waters swelled the volume of water rushing over the rocks. I welcomed the feel of the warm rays of sun on my face. Best of all I could smell once again the earth that had so long been covered by a blanket of snow. It has been a long winter and I hope Mother Nature is in agreement and does not send us

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Valerie Smith
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snow as she did last year in May.

Talking about Mother Nature and Earth, do not forget that next Friday, April 22 is Earth Day. Remember to conserve energy, save water, cut air pollution, reduce, reuse and recycle.

This week, April 17-23 is National Volunteer Week. In our communities we have many people who volunteer. Statistics for Canada indicate that one in four Canadians volunteer. They work in

our schools, hospitals, community organizations, veteran's events and so much more. They give so much and you know who the volunteers are in your community.

Take a minute to recognize them when you see them this week. Bring them to a stop (they are usually busy); look them in the eye with your best smile and say "Thank you for all the help you give!"

Upcoming events:

Wednesday, April 20 at the Harcourt Community Centre there is Bingo starting at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 21 at the Harcourt Community Centre there is Euchre starting at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 22 at the Harcourt

Community Centre there will be the "Rock Into Spring Pre Teen Dance" starting at 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Cost is \$3. Children aged 7-16 years are welcome. For further information please call Valerie Smith at 448-3640.

Saturday, April 23 at the Harcourt Community Centre there will be the Welcome to Spring Big Bingo. There will be two \$500 jackpot prizes to be won. There will be an additional \$1,500 to be won. Come out and take your chance at winning some of \$2,500 worth of prize money. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and games get underway at 7 p.m. For further information, please call Debbie Shatraw at 448-3155. Must be 18 years of age to play.



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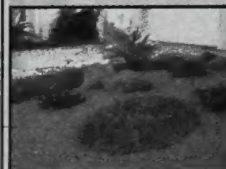
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Write what you know, screenwriter advises

A writer's "place" may be at the kitchen table with the cat and teapot nearby, in a cell-like room or in the case of Janis Cole at a desk by a window overlooking a lake.

Janis told of her writing place as she spoke at a Haliburton Highlands Writers and Editors Network event on Saturday, April 16. Inspired no doubt by the stone work, the solid beams, the light and openness and the windows' of the main hall of Sir Sandford Fleming College, Haliburton Campus, Janis spoke with enthusiasm about her career as a screen and documentary writer and teacher showing no evidence of the stress of a busy Toronto week and fighting back from some flu-like bug.

Knowing she was talking to a group that had a wide range of interest in writing she spoke of the importance of having a writing place and a time to write:

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"Never a day without a Line." Though interested in music and photography while studying at Sheridan College in Oakville she found that film and writing for films was her first love. She advised listeners to write what they know about or what they believe others will be interested in.

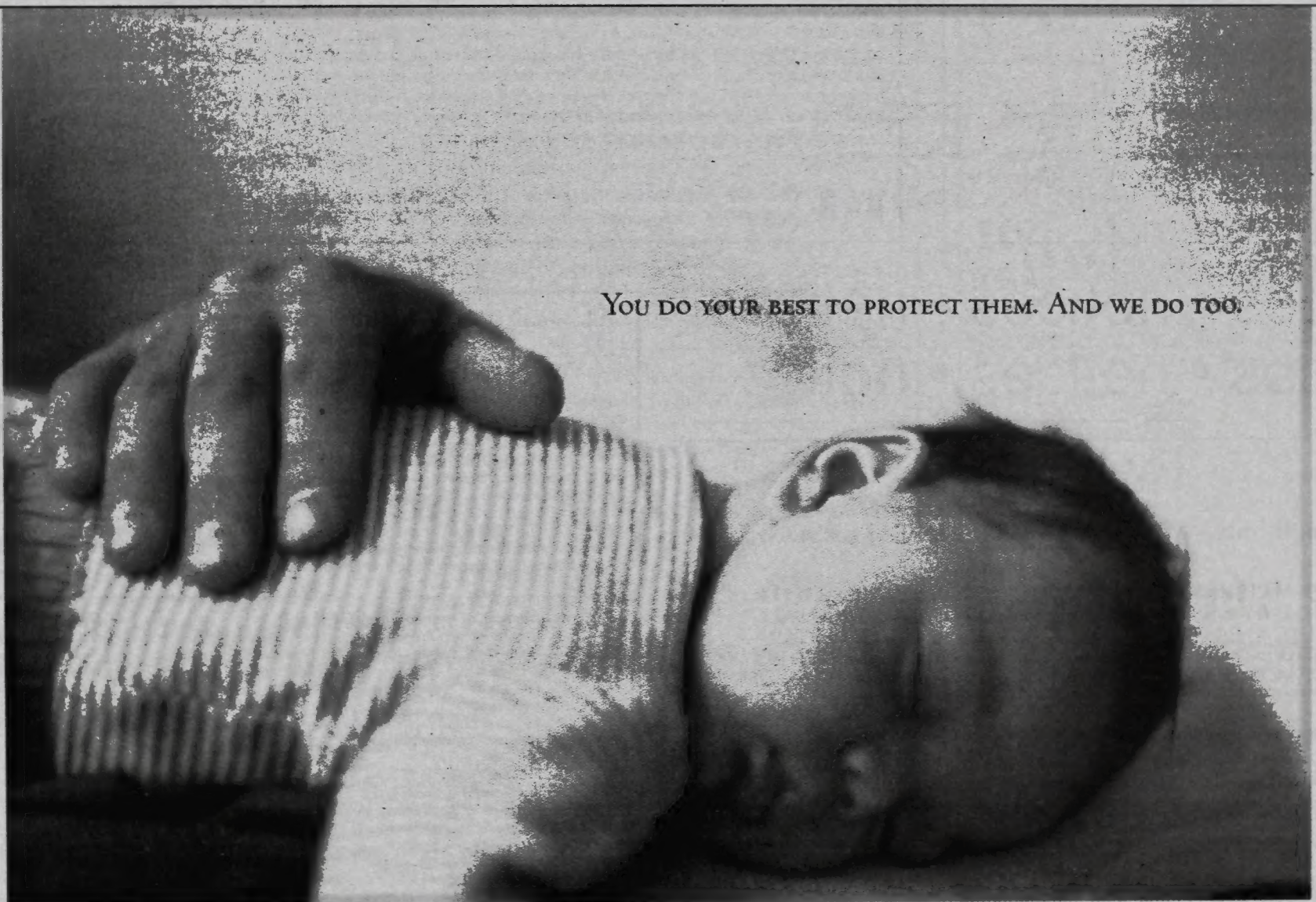
Her first documentary films were about people on the fringes of society, Body Rub parlours, prostitution, and an amazing inside view of the old women's prison in Kingston.

Janis, who now enjoys part time (her choice) teaching at York University prefers this

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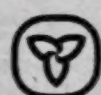


Filmmaker and writer Janis Cole spoke at a Haliburton Highlands Writers and Editors Network meeting.



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Leading the workshop will be Jim Poling Sr., an author who splits his time between St. Nora Lake and Alliston. Also speaking will be Reg Holloway of Minden, retired diplomat and author who, along with his wife Anna, wrote their family history two years ago. Hilda Clark will

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IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF MONCK LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of The Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on Tuesday, the 10th day of May, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lots 14 and 15, Concession 13, Township of Cardiff, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul A. Miller, O.L.S., dated January 10, 2005.

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township office for delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 12th day of April, 2005.

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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the Planning Act and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday May 9th, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- File No. H-153/04
Applicant: Stuart & Loretta GERSTEIN
Location of the Property: pt. Lot 14, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Glamorgan
Nature of the Application: New Lot
- File No. H-170/04 & H-171/04
Applicant: Sally & David SMITH
Location of the Property: pt. Lot 4, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Stanhope
Nature of the Application: Right-of-ways
- File No. H-015/05
Applicant: Elizabeth TATE
Location of the Property: pt Lot 3, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Dudley
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-016/05
Applicant: Peter TATE
Location of the Property: pt Lot 3, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Dudley
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-017/05
Applicant: Daniel & Pamela ZABARYLO
Location of the Property: pt Lot 3, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Harcourt
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-018/05
Applicant: HARCOURT PARK INC.
Location of the Property: pt Lot 1, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Harcourt
Nature of the Application: Lease

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 19th day of April, 2005.

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Cole will host workshop in June

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because it allows more flexibility to take on freelance work.

She will be presenting a two-day workshop at Sir Sandford Fleming College in Haliburton on June 4 and 5, on screen writing. If last Saturday's presentation is any indication, participants in that workshop will find it motivating as well practical.

As Janis spoke of her work and answered a wide range of questions she also shared her pleasure at having found a supportive community, her home and writing place in Wilberforce. She finds the old stone house in the heart of the village with her desk at a window overlooking Dark Lake – well, let's say, Janis Cole is glad she found Wilberforce and we are glad she did.

A recent surprise party was given for a much deserved volunteer, John Goverde, who has given great leadership to the Wilberforce and area Volunteer Police Association for the past twelve years. The party was held in the lounge at the LWMC with good food and

lots of reminiscing. John was presented with plaques and gifts.

This community police association that John so capably leads now has about 80 members. They voluntarily do all kinds of work helping to keep the community safe and properties secure. Their work is greatly appreciated. As one gets involved in various community groups it is so evident that volunteers are the heart of most communities. You could have seen them this week at the Recreation Board Meeting on Monday planning Country Good Times, at Wednesday night at the W. Heritage Guild meeting organizing summer staff and events at the Curling Club Annual meeting on Thursday where participants studied financial reports, the season's success in and applauded the executive which for the most part is staying on, or the Loop Troupe reviewing recent efforts and planning future ones.

Then there were the hockey festivities Sunday afternoon at the LWMC with awards etc. – organized by volunteers – more about that if someone let's me know. And when does softball and soccer start? Don't forget the volunteers who keep the churches in the area open. Though there has been no formal occasion to thank the volunteers, we acknowledge them here.

So three cheers for all of you.



Township of Algonquin Highlands

Gerald Bain is Retiring after 35 years!

Please come and join Council and Staff at an Open House in honour of Algonquin Highlands CAO to be held

**Friday, April 29, 2005
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Haliburton County Public Library requires ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR for the Dysart Service Point

We require one ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR for the DYSART BRANCH of the Haliburton County Public Library. This is a part-time, entry-level hourly position. **BASIC TASKS** involve partial responsibility for overall operation of the service point in the provision of public library services within the Township of Dysart, based in the community of Haliburton. **DUTIES INCLUDE** accurate maintenance of basic files, record keeping, retrieval and return of materials from shelves, basic reference work, InterLibrary Loan functions and other duties as may be required. Accuracy in all aspects of work is essential. **SKILLS AND ABILITIES** being sought would include graduation from a school of library technology and high school graduation or equivalent experience and training. **SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS** will have an interest in public libraries, a demonstrated ability to work well with the general public and other staff as well as being able to demonstrate a high level of tact and diplomacy as may be required. The ability to follow established policies and procedures is essential.

Training in system procedures will be provided; the option of participating in EXCEL courses for skills development will be encouraged.

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Tender for Janitorial Services

The Township of Minden Hills is requesting tenders from interested parties to provide janitorial services for the Municipal Building, Public Washrooms, Cultural Centre, Library and Fire Hall. Copies of the proposed agreement, outlining all of the services required, is available at the Municipal Office, 7 Milnes Street, Minden, Ontario. No faxes please.

Tenders will be received until noon, Monday, May 9, 2005. Tenders will be opened, in public, at 12:15 of the same day, in the Municipal Office at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario. (705) 286-1260

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.



MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

TWO (2) SUMMER STUDENTS ASSISTANT LANDFILL ATTENDANTS (Haliburton Site)

The Municipality requires two (2) students for the summer position of Assistant Landfill Attendant, from May through August, 2005 and from July through August, 2005 respectively. The work consists of 36 hours per week @ \$9.00 per hour and includes variable shifts.

Responsibilities will include the collection of tipping fees, directing the public on recycling programs and the proper disposal locations within the landfill site, as well as general cleanup around the site.

The successful applicants must be returning to school in September. Education in Environmental Studies would be considered an asset.

Recruitment is conditional on funding approval.

Applicants are invited to apply to the undersigned by noon, Monday, April 11th, 2005.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.
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We thank all applicants but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used only for employment purposes.



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Spring cleaning

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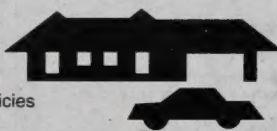
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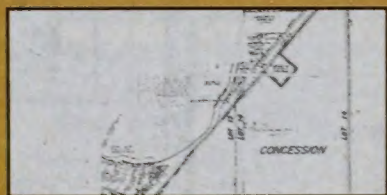
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The YWCA Women's Resource Centre has found a place to call home while its own facility is being renovated.

The centre is at the former Lutterworth Township office at 11445 Highway 35 south of Minden.

The move is to accommodate the changes being made to its offices in Minden.

The YWCA recently pur-

chased the property owned by the Minden Lions Club. The former medical centre is being joined to the Lions clubhouse and changes include the creation of a safe space for women.

The renovations should be completed by July.

"This is the first step to expanding our existing counselling, crisis intervention, transitional support and well-

being programs for women," says the centre's supervisor, Linda Reade. "This is a huge step forward towards completing the second phase of HERS (Haliburton Emergency Rural Safespace project.) It has been our long-term goal to provide sustainable emergency safe accommodation in Haliburton County for women leaving abusive relationships. Gisele Lalonde, the HERS pro-

ject co-ordinator, says, "We are grateful to our many community partners who are helping us to fulfill our goal."

The project is being made possible with the support of the Ministry of Community and Social Services, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Minden Hills and the Minden Lions Club, as well as local businesses, church groups and individuals

throughout Haliburton County.

To learn more about the centre's services call the administration at 286-1942, the Women's Safety Network at 286-6442, Women's Counselling and Wellbeing at 286-4040 or the 24-hour crisis line at 1-800-461-7656.

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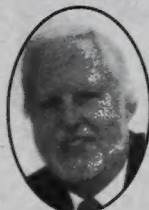
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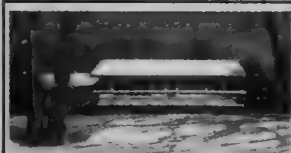
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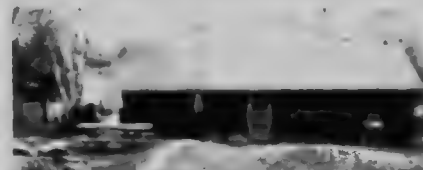
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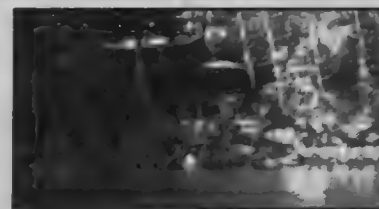
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Haliburton County Community Radio Association (CANOE FM)

Annual & General Meeting
Wednesday, April 29, 2005
8:00 p.m.

Haliburton Curling Club
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The family of the late **David Congdon** would like to express their heartfelt appreciation to family and friends for their many acts of kindness and support during Dave's illness and his time at home. Special thanks to Dr. Dickson and Dr. Thompson. Thank you to Dr. Williams, Dr. Kammila and Dr. Cheung at the Regional Dialysis Unit in Peterborough. Also to Debbie and Nancy with the Home Dialysis Program. We were blessed to have caring nurses coming into our home - Mervis and Sarah. We are grateful to Rev. Randy Warburton for delivering a service filled with love and the humour Dave always enjoyed. The tasteful luncheon was provided by the Ladies of the Haven of Rest Chapel. The eulogy was given by friend Danny Shoenbottom, speaking of Dave's years in Parry Sound. He also read two notes written by friends Dave worked with in the Parry Sound, Ontario Hydro Office. The kindness and professionalism of Kirsten and Barry at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home in Minden helped us in our time of sadness. Tracy has a special "Thank You" to be given to her friends (you know who you are) for the letters, phone calls, shopping trips, suppers and child care services provided. "You don't know how much I love you and I will never forget." Marilyn, Tracy & Bryan, Neil & families

440 THANK YOU

JOHNSON, GEORGE - April 23, 2003.

Always a smile instead of a frown, Always a friend when one was down, Always true, thoughtful and kind. What wonderful memories you have left behind. Sadly missed, **Tina Gilbert-O'Malley and family.**

LEE, CONNIE - In loving memory of a dear sister, who passed away on April 13, 2004.

Gone are the days We used to share But in my heart you are always there. The gates of memory will never close. I miss you more than anyone knows With tender love and deep regret. From those who love you we will never forget. Your loving sister **Doreen & Eileen and families.**

460 OBITUARIES

BULGER, EDWARD (1921 - 2005)

Peacefully at Hamilton General Hospital on April 10 with his family at his side. Beloved father and father-in-law of Rhonda Trott, Elaine Moore, Jeanne and Brian McCallum, Lauren and Jim Foote, Gord, and Jamie Bulger and Colleen O'Toole; proud grandfather of ten and great-grandfather of four. Dear brother of James and Joseph Bulger and the late Nessa Ingram - all of Scotland. Former husband of Mary Wilkins and the late Nora Heap. Eddie was a World War II veteran (Parachute Regiment) and a teacher at Brockton High School (Toronto). Born in Glasgow, Scotland, Ed moved to Canada with his family in 1956. Most of his adult life was spent in and around Hamilton and Toronto. Upon his retirement, however, he moved to the Minden/Haliburton region where he was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion. Until his health restricted his participation, Ed also took great pleasure in both the golfing and curling activities in the area. An informal celebration of Ed's life has been held at his daughter's home in Toronto. His body was donated to McMaster University Hospital in Hamilton. To commemorate Ed's life, donations to the Canadian Institute for the Blind (CNIB) would be appreciated.

EDNA McPHADEN (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario) - Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday morning, April 12, 2005 in her 86th year.

Beloved wife of Don McPhaden. Loving mother of Alfred and his wife Joyce of Ajax, Arlene of Oshawa and Roger and his wife Gisela McPhaden of London. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Jodie, Carrie, Steven, Adam and her great grandson Joshua. Dear sister of June (Mrs. Victor Wheatley) of Toronto and Geraldine (Mrs. Jack Chivers) of Buffalo. Predeceased by her brother Jack Hughes and her sister Jean Lyman and her grandson Jason. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Friends are invited to call at the Haliburton Congregation Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Hwy. #121 Haliburton, Ontario on Saturday afternoon, April 23, 2005 at 2 o'clock for a Memorial Service. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

KESZTYUS, SANDRA EVELYN (nee Wilkinson) - Peacefully at Humboldt Regional Hospital in Toronto on Sunday morning, April 10, 2005 in her 54th year.

Beloved wife of Andrew Kesztyus. Loving stepmother of Mary and her husband George. Dear sister of Gail, Kenny, Keith, Bobby, Dave, and Wayne. Predeceased by her sisters Alice, Doris, and Gladys and her brother Doug. Also lovingly remembered by her many nieces and nephews. Friends may call at Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton on Saturday afternoon, April 23, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. for a Graveside Service. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ont. (705) 457-9209. As expressions of sympathy donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

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- Apr. 19:** Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group monthly meeting - Held the 3rd Tues. of every month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge, Highland Crest Senior Citizen's Home in Minden. For info. call Rick Ratcliff at 286-6699.
- Apr. 19:** Wheels to Meals - Dominion Hotel, Minden at 12 noon. Community Care Haliburton County - Book your seat early for lunch at the Dominion Hotel. We often sell out! Call Myrtle at 754-1711.
- Apr. 20:** Big Buck Bid Euchre - Come join us for some fun at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441, Kinnmount, Ontario. Held the third Wednesday of the Month. Hope to see you soon. For info. call Alice 488-3271.
- Apr. 21:** Ontario Early Years Centre is offering a Family Supper Night. Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Haliburton (Halco Plaza) on Thurs., Apr. 21 from 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Call the Centre at 457-2989 to register.
- Apr. 21:** Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists - Join us for a presentation on the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site by biologist Graham Cameron. Learn about the history, present status, future directions and interesting flora and fauna. Thursday, Apr. 21 at the Haliburton Museum at 7:30.
- Apr. 21:** Ontario Early Years Centre is offering a Free Well Baby Clinic. Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Haliburton (Halco Plaza) on Thurs., Apr. 21 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Please call the Centre at 457-2989 to register.
- Apr. 22:** Wheels to Meals - South Algonquin Cookhouse at 12 noon. Community Care Haliburton County - Join us for a great meal with other seniors. Call Eileen Knox at 448-2596.
- Apr. 25:** Blood Donor Clinic - Haliburton Legion, Mountain Street, Haliburton, 12:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Apr. 26:** Blood Donor Clinic - Bancroft Legion Hall, 16 Station Street, Bancroft, 12:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Apr. 26:** If you are interested in learning how to communicate with your baby through Sign Language; come to an information session, Tuesday, April 26, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the Ontario Early Years Centre, Haliburton (lower level Halco Plaza). For more information, please call 457-2989.
- Apr. 27:** Wheels to Meals - Win Yeung at 12 noon. Community Care Haliburton County meets bi-weekly on Wednesdays at Win Yeung. Please RSVP by calling Aileen Bruce at 457-3375.
- Apr. 30:** Haliburton Concert Series 2005 - Northern Lights Pavilion, Haliburton, Ont. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. Sun., Apr. 30: Wingfield on Ice; Sun., Oct. 2: Mark Dubois & David Warrack; Sat., Nov. 5: Scott St. John. For info call 457-9731.
- May 1:** Equality Forum (monthly meeting) at Minden United Church from 2-4 p.m. with speaker Dr. Fay Martin, Executive Director of Family Services, "Economic and Gender Inequality in Haliburton County - Myths & Facts". Everyone welcome.
- May 1:** Hike for Hospice, fundraising hike for SIRCH Community Hospice. Collect pledges and join us for a hike on the Head Lake Trail or the Sculpture Forest Trail. Registration at 12:30 p.m. in Great Hall, Sir Sandford Fleming College, hike starts at 1:30, rain or shine. Hike as an individual or form a team! For more info. or for a pledge form, call 457-1742 or visit www.sirch.on.ca/hike.
- May 5:** Mental Health Week 2005 - presented by The Advisory Committee of Haliburton Highlands Mental Health Services. Depression and the Elderly with Dr. Andrew Hackett. Thurs., May 5, Seminar Room, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School at 7 p.m. Light refreshments to follow. All community members are invited to this FREE event; no pre-registration is required.
- May 5:** Wheels to Meals - Wheels to Meals, Minden Legion. Community Care Haliburton County - Looking for a great meal and a chance to meet new people. To book, please call Myrtle Bouthorn at 754-1711.
- May 6:** Haliburton Highlands Women's Golf League - All ladies interested are invited to register at the IceBreaker Tee at Wigamog Inn, Friday, May 6 at 7 p.m. All levels of skill welcomed; 9 hole and/or 18 hole play; GAO membership and golf clinics are optional/available. For info. call Dale at 489-4895.

ON GOING EVENTS

- If you are or were a breastfeeding mother ...** If you are expecting a baby ... If you are interested in sharing your experience, supporting others and finding out accurate information about breastfeeding. Join the Breastfeeding Support Group Tuesdays 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. at the Ontario Early Years Centre, Haliburton (lower level Halco Plaza). No sign up required. Children welcome.
- If you are a senior (55+) or a physically disabled adult (18+)** and like to play cards, Community Care Haliburton County offers Contract Bridge every Monday afternoon at 1 p.m., Bid Euchre is offered every Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. and Cribbage is offered every Friday at 1 p.m. If you would like more information on activities available through Home Support, please call Ida at 457-2941.
- Every Wednesday:** Gooderham Branch, Haliburton County Public Library. Story circle at 11:30 a.m. on Pine St., in downtown Gooderham. 457-2241 or 447-3163.
- Anyone interested in or affiliated with mental health services** are invited to join the Advisory Committee to Mental Health in Haliburton County. Send a letter of interest to: HHMHSC, Nominating Committee, Box 539, Minden, Ont. K0M 2K0 or call 286-4575 for more info.
- Haliburton Highlands Senior Citizen Club** meet every Thursday, 12 noon, for a weekly luncheon at the Haliburton Legion. Join us for good food, fun and fellowship.
- Community Care Haliburton County** has volunteers just waiting to give seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults a Security Check Phone Call. If you know of anyone who needs a phone call once a day, please call Judy at 457-2941.

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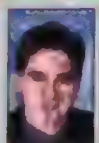
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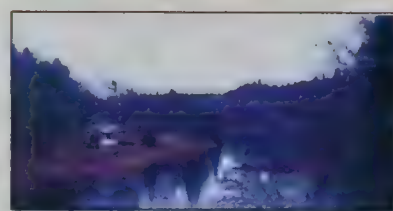


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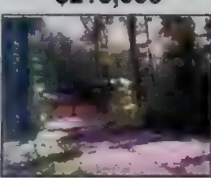


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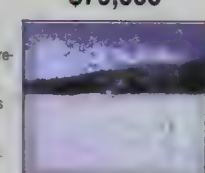
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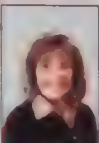
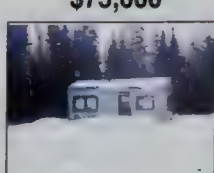
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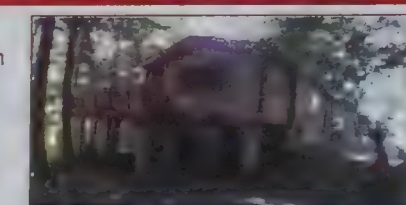


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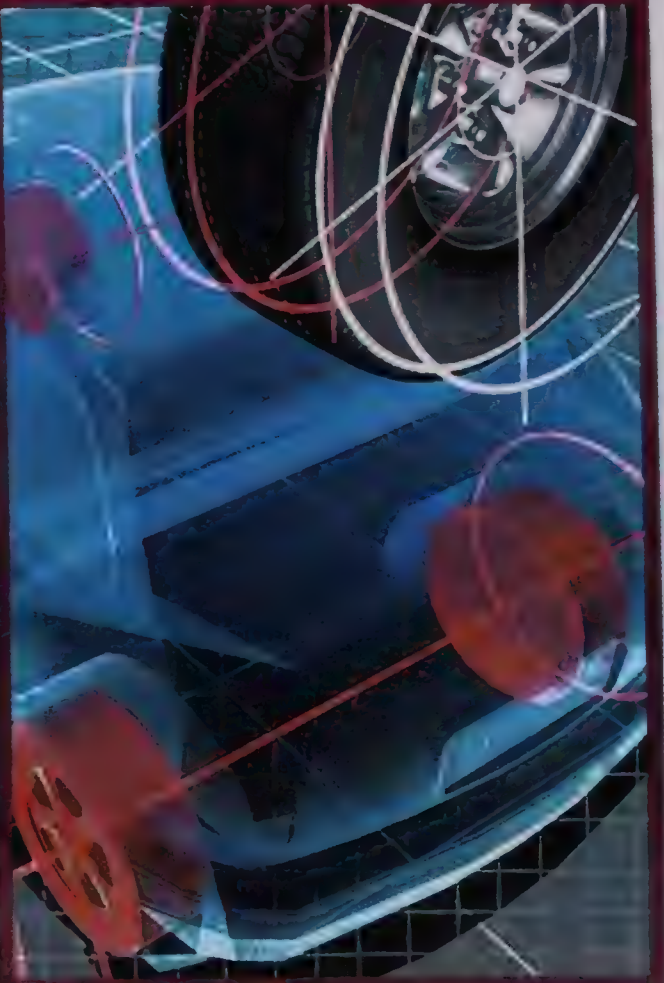
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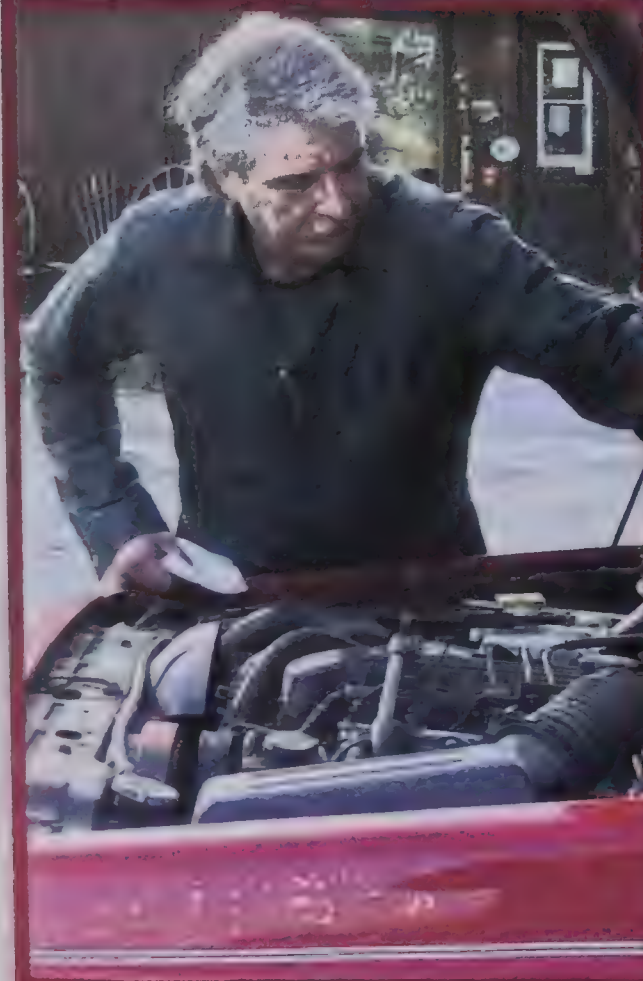
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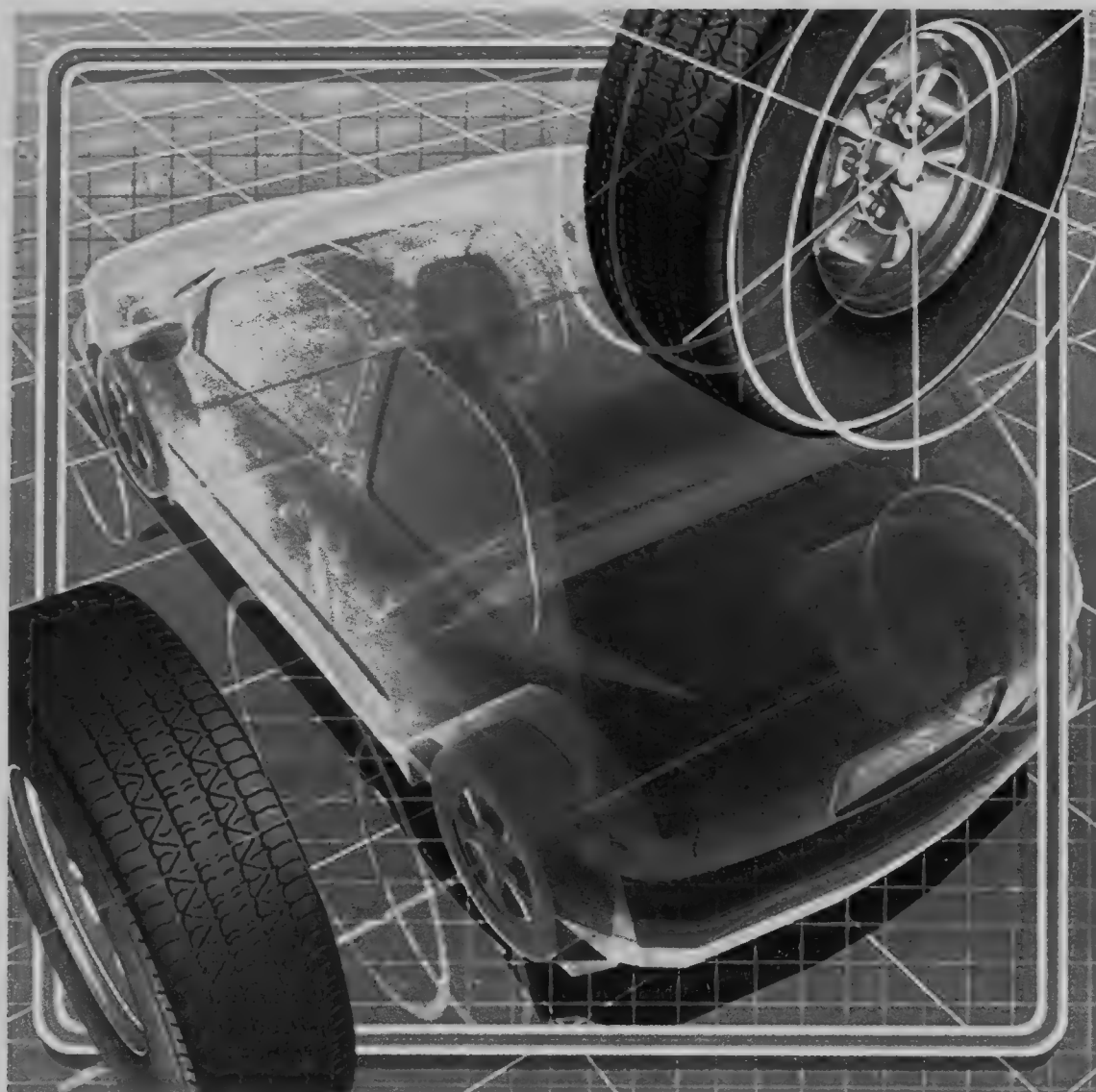


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You're smart, right?

 Spring is in the air – are you ready for it on the road? After months of battling the snow, sleet and ice, there is a good chance your vehicle is in need of spring cleaning and maintenance. But make sure you don't miss an important spot – your tires.

The Rubber Association of Canada and the Government of Canada are urging motorists to get their tires in top shape during Be Tire Smart Week, being held April 24-30, 2005.

Research conducted by The Rubber Association of Canada and the Government of Canada uncovered a significant problem with Canadians, tire maintenance:

nance habits. More than 70% of vehicles on the road in Canada have improperly inflated tires.

"Be Tire Smart Week is an important reminder for Canadian drivers about the need to pay attention to their tires with simple, regular maintenance," says Glenn Maidment, President of

the Rubber Association of Canada. "It can have a big impact on their vehicles, safety, fuel efficiency and handling."

In fact, properly inflated tires can save drivers as much as \$1,000 over a vehicle's typical seven-year life through fuel savings and longer tire life.

Be Tire Smart Week is part of The Rubber Association and the Government of Canada's ongoing tire maintenance public education campaign "Be Tire Smart – Play Your PART" (pressure, alignment, rotation, tread).

Maidment advises drivers to remember these four pillars of

tire maintenance:

Pressure: Measure tire pressure monthly using a good quality tire gauge. The correct tire pressure is listed on the vehicle placard. Check your owner's manual for the placard's location.

Alignment: Have your alignment checked regularly to ensure even tire wear.

Rotation: Tire rotation promotes uniform tire wear. Rotate tires every 10,000 km.

Tread: Inspect tires regularly for uneven tread wear and damage such as imbedded objects, cuts and abrasions.

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A thorough clean-up both inside and out is the first step. On the first clear and blustery day move the car into the driveway and air it out by opening the doors and the trunk lid. Remove the mats and check the carpet for dampness. Turf out all of the debris that has accumulated during the winter, particularly under the seats. Wash out the ashtrays to remove the unpleasant odours and vacuum the carpets and seats. Complete the interior spring clean-up by wiping down all of the windows and the vinyl surfaces with appropriate cleaners. If you are fortunate enough to have leather upholstery, follow the instructions in your owners manual regarding periodic care.

Obviously the car's exterior suffered the full force of winter

SPRING CAR TIPS

- Flush the radiator and replace the antifreeze, (spring is a good time to do this).
- Check the battery fluid level and, at the same time, clear off any corrosion on the terminals.
- Look at the condition of the air cleaner. If it's clogged dust and grime, it should be replaced. Otherwise, not enough air gets through to the carburetor, which can result in poor combustion and wasted fuel, along with reduced performance.

and it is still vulnerable to its arch enemy - road salt. Higher temperatures and humidity during spring are perfect for salt to start the corrosion process. Poultices of salt and sand can build up in body crevices during the winter. Wheel wells are particularly vulnerable. Blast away the salt and sand using a pressure nozzle on your garden hose. But avoid spraying too close to the engine. Delicate components such as alternators can be easily damaged by over zealous spraying.

Next wash down the car using a car wash soap. These products are kinder to your car's paint work than dishwashing detergent.

Finally use some elbow grease and give the exterior a coat of polish. Even newer paints will deliver a renewed lustre. Note any rock chips or rust marks in the paint surface and touch up as required.

Now take a walk around the car checking for burnt out light bulbs and examine the condition of the wiper blades and tires. Regarding the latter, check for correct inflation pressure, including the spare, and check the extent and type of tread wear; this should be done twice a month on a year round basis.

Under the hood check all fluid levels including engine oil, automatic transmission fluid, brake fluid, coolant and battery cell fluid. To be environmentally conscious, you may wish to replace the windshield washer with a mixture of water and a touch of dishwashing soap. Check fan and drive belts for signs of hardening and cracking and rubber hoses for signs of deterioration such as bulging by the hose clips, and for leaks. Check the radiator tank seams and honeycomb for the tell-tale stains that appear with coolant leaks. Replace all belts and hoses every four years, no matter what their condition is.



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What's that noise?

Pay attention to any weird car sounds and you could save yourself a lot of money in new 'boots'



What do shoes, belts, mufflers and boots have in common?

They're all car parts, of course, the latter being less familiar to most drivers. While brake shoes, drive belts and mufflers have been around since the first days of the automobile, boots (they're the protective cover on the flexible CV joints) are relatively new among automotive terms. Found on front wheel drive as well as some four-wheel drive vehicles, they are vulnerable to damage from road debris such as flying stones. This kind of damage allows contamination and leakage of the lubricant contained within the boot.

Unless the cut or crack is discovered quickly, lost lubricant soon leads to failure of the component. A new boot and replacement of lost fluid can be the cure if detection is early. However, because this is a labour-intensive procedure, customers frequently are advised to install a rebuilt axle/joint assembly, which includes a new boot.

Knowing the circumstances under which your symptoms occur can be useful, says Car

Care Canada. For example, if you notice a noise while turning you may have a bad outer CV joint, they advise. Shuddering, vibration or a clunking sound when accelerating or decelerating may mean trouble in the inner, the outer joint or both. Worst case scenario: the total failure of this component causes a catastrophic loss of power and/or steering. If you're lucky, you'll only need to be towed in.

Most people are unaware of the early warning sign of a failing CV joint, much less the leak that caused the problem. Auto repair shop owners would agree that people tend to ignore leaks of all kinds, brake fluid, transmission, engine and other. A common example are customers whose cars need new CV joints. When asked how long they'd noticed the leak on their garage floor, their typical response is a couple of months. Even more important than the repair cost is their susceptibility to serious car trouble far from home.

Regular inspection of the CV joints and boots can eliminate the need for replacement of either.

SPRING CAR TIPS

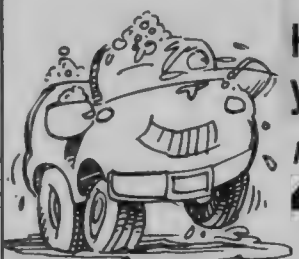
- Check the engine oil; pull out the dipstick and wipe it clean; push the dipstick back down all the way, then pull out the dipstick and look at the oil level. Add oil if needed; the oil

level should always be at or near the "Full" line.

- Keep the windshield washer bottle filled; inspect the condition of the

wiper blades as well. Winter weather can crack and deteriorate the rubber and it's a good idea to replace the blades if they are more than one year old.

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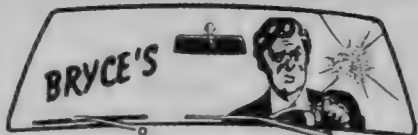
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Air conditioning works on the principle that evaporating fluid takes heat out of the air. The refrigerant vapour is first compressed to liquefy it, then it evaporates. This chills and dehumidifies the air coming into the car.

The refrigerant that has been used with success over the years has been Freon, or R-12. However, R-12, as a chlorofluorocar-

bon (CFC), has been partly responsible for depletion of the ozone layer. In the last couple of years, car manufacturers have converted to R-134a, a hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) that is reportedly less harmful to the environment.

If you have an older car, it may be possible to convert your air conditioning to R-134a. Ask your car service provider about conversion kits. If not, you should be aware that R-12 is no longer being manufactured. While stocks are available, their use is tightly controlled and a great deal of care is taken to prevent leaks and spills to protect the ozone layer. A number of provinces completely prohibit the use of R-

12.

You should have your air conditioning system checked at least once a year to make sure it has no leaks, or seals, and belts are in good shape. As it cools, the air conditioning system also take moisture out of the air.

There is always a concern when you walk towards your car and see a pool of something underneath. In summer, don't panic – your air conditioner takes water out of the air, and it drains onto the ground. So if you have been driving with the air conditioning on, and then you park, you will probably see the water draining from the air conditioner as you walk away and a

puddle under your car when you return.

If the puddle doesn't look like water, then it's OK to panic.

Some people are concerned about the fuel economy penalty of air conditioning. It's true that when you use the air conditioning at full blast in city driving, you pay a price – perhaps as much as a 15 - 20% increase in your fuel consumption.

When you look at it over the course of a year's driving, though, it's much less significant. The annual fuel consumption penalty is less than 5%, probably more like 2%. Most people consider that a small price to pay for being able to chill out in the summer.



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schedule for your particular car. Is it time for a tune-up? A lube and oil change? A brake inspection? Check your owner's manual and you'll know! Many Canadians spruce up their cars in the spring by washing and waxing, but often leave it that. There are a number of other auto maintenance items that should be done.

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Further, if you've neglected mechanical maintenance, hitting the brake pedal may be only the beginning of your crisis. Erratic braking action can make a bad

emergency situation worse, as it can pull your car right into the accident — or it may not stop at all. That's the number one fear among drivers, according to one survey. The chain of events that occur in your car's braking system is as strong as its weakest link. A malfunction of any part of the system can cause erratic brakes or complete failure.

Here's what happens when you apply the brake pedal: The pressure of your foot against the pedal is transferred to the

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On disc brakes, the caliper causes friction pads to squeeze the spinning rotor (like brake calipers squeezing the rim of a bike wheel), slowing or stopping the wheel. On rear wheel drum brakes, a wheel cylinder receives the pressure and forces the brake shoes against the rotating drums.

Some vehicles have disc brakes or drum brakes on all four

wheels; most have a combination of disc on front, drum on rear. In every case, it's friction that stops the vehicle. Motion energy is converted to heat, which is dissipated by air cooling the rotors and drums.

Simple as the process may sound, it involves a complex system of parts that must function in concert. Friction and heat, combined with exposure to the elements and road contamination, lead to wear and deterioration of the braking system.

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tioning in your family vehicle, Car Care Canada recommends you follow this simple advice and avoid the last minute rush for needed maintenance or repairs. Before you leave on your trip, have the following systems checked and serviced as needed:

- Cooling system
- Engine system, including an oil and filter change
- Engine and Electrical system

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And don't forget the interior and exterior appearance of your vehicle – family travel can be hard on a vehicle. For example, a minor upholstery tear can turn

into a gaping hole during a family vacation. A hole in the carpet at the accelerator pedal can become a safety hazard if it catches your heel in an emergency. A dragging mud guard can turn into a dangerous projectile for the car behind you. Consider repairing these minor problems before you leave so they don't become major problems on a trip.

MYTHS & FACTS

Friendly advice about cars is rampant. But much of it is based on myths that can harm your car, or its occupants. Here are some acts every car owner should know.

Myth: Correct air pressure is marked on the tires. Tire pressure depends on the type of car, not the tire. The manufacturer's tire-pressure advice is on a label on the door jamb or in the owner's manual, which should be in the glove compartment.

Myth: A tire-valve cap holds air in the tires. The valve holds the air, not the cap. The cap's job is to keep the valve clean. A dirty valve mechanism may leak air.

Myth: Punctured tubeless tires can be repaired, without removing the tire, with a plug installed from the outside. A punctured tire should be removed from the wheel and thoroughly inspected for damage. Punctures should be patched on the inside. Before being remounted on your car, the tire also should be balanced.



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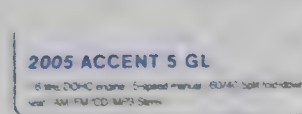
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Sound advice for noisy belt drives



Serpentine belts are rapidly replacing the traditional V-shaped belts that have been the mainstay of automotive engine drives for more than 70 years.

Today, more than 90 percent of the cars leaving Detroit (and some imports) have a single Micro-V or V-ribbed serpentine belt that drives multiple engine accessories. These include the water pump, fan, power-steering pump, air-conditioner compressor and alternator. This engine drive configuration saves weight and precious space in the engine compartment. Serpentine belts should be checked periodically for signs of wear.

One indicator of belt wear, and impending failure, is belt noise – those annoying squeaks, squeals, chirps and growls coming from under the hood. Older belts become smoother, creating a glossy, glazed surface that raises the likelihood of noise.

Belt “chirping” (an intermittent, high-pitched, bird-like noise that can be heard as the engine is revved up) usually indicates pulley misalignment.

“Squealing,” a more continuous sound

that commonly occurs when pulling away from a stop, usually suggests incorrect belt tension. Belt squeal can also be heard momentarily when the car is started after it has sat idle for a time, such as overnight.

The belt turns on the drive, it heats up. Then, it shrinks enough so the tension reaches its normal level, and the squeal stops. However, when the engine is turned off and the belt cools, it expands again and the squeal will return upon engine restart. Another common low-tension indicator occurs when a higher load is placed on the drive. For example, the belt runs fine until the air-conditioner is turned on. A slapping sound is likely caused by either loose belts, which need to be retensioned, or misalignment of the belt.

Belt noise can also result from vibration caused when belts are loose or under-tensioned. Vibration may happen over time as bearings loosen up, as the accessory brackets become loose, or deflect more than expected. A properly tensioned belt on a well-aligned drive should provide quiet and trouble-free service for many

Mechanics trusted more

Still, how do you feel confident both before and after your vehicle has been serviced?



A 1997 independent study by the National Quality Institute (NQI) indicates that auto repair is ranked in the top ten industries, among 21 industries, assessed in the study. More than 80% of customers gave a good or excellent rating to the service they received from their auto repair facility. Those numbers may continue to increase, 15% of customers rate auto repair service as improving over the past three years.

But how can you be sure you'll be among the 80% of satisfied customers? How do you find a mechanic/automotive service technician, you can trust? Rule number one for finding a good mechanic/technician: don't wait until you're desperate for help. Finding an automotive service technician you trust, is like finding a doctor or a minister – you need to build a relationship based on trust and mutual respect. These things don't happen overnight.

Most of the business for a repair garage is from referrals. The only way to get referral business is from satisfied customers. So, if you are looking for a new automotive service technician, ask around. Ask your friends, relatives, business associates, church members – anyone you can think of. You'll probably get a more reliable feel for who is good and who is not by getting several opinions instead of just one.

If you get a chance, drop in and meet the technicians who will be working on your car. Is the shop tidy and well organized? Do they have the latest computer equipment? Is there evidence that the mechanics, more commonly referred to nowadays as automotive service technicians to reflect the increasingly computer complexity of the profession they practise, are taking regular training courses on the latest automotive and diagnostic technology?

The days of the mechanic under the hood with a screwdriver, tuning things until they sing just right, are a distant

memory. Now, they have to be computer literate technicians, interpreting the communications between the on-board computer system and the diagnostic computers in the shop.

Whether you go to an independent garage, a department store, or a franchised repair centre, doesn't matter all that much. In the end, it all comes down to trust. You're looking for somebody who is willing to tell you which repairs should be made immediately, which can be delayed without affecting safety, and which are completely optional for performance upgrades. Car Care Canada notes that you can help your automotive service technician to help you, too. When you take your car in with a problem, tell the technician what the symptoms are (not what you think the problem is). Describe whether it happens when the car is warm or cold, at highway speeds or in the city, stopping or accelerating, etc.

Get to know your car, too. Read through the owner's manual so you know what to expect. Turn off your stereo once in a while and listen to the sound of your car when it's healthy, so you're better able to notice when it needs help.

Don't forget, if you want your vehicle to remain in excellent, dependable working order, you have to give it some tender loving care in the form of regular and preventive maintenance. Don't wait until it breaks until you fix it – that could cost you a great deal of money. The average Canadian consumer will spend approximately \$800 in 1998 on vehicle maintenance, depending on the age of the vehicle. By practising regular maintenance you can reduce that amount and prolong the life of your vehicle.

The National Quality Institute (NQI) is an independent, not-for-profit organization established in 1992 as a joint initiative of the private and public sectors. For more information about the NQI or to order a copy of the NQI report, call 1-800-263-9648.

MYTHS & FACTS

Myth: I can't find out when my car was built. Cars built after 1972 have a label on

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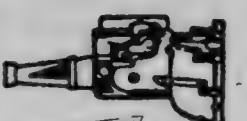
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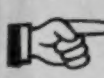
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 Chatelaine magazine reports that women make up half of all vehicle purchases. According to Chatelaine, women are responsible for 55% of tune-ups and 45% of major repairs. Whether you're a woman or man, you may often wonder why you should bother with changing the oil in your car?

The answer is simple. Your car's engine generates temperatures in excess of 200°C under normal operating conditions. If it's a turbo, that's more like 300°C! The oil helps protect your engine. Oil prevents metal to metal contact and cleans out dirt and combustion by-products. Many people don't realize that oil is also an important part of the cooling system, dispersing about 20% of engine heat.

Today's cars are designed with smaller, more fuel-efficient engines, and are built to tighter tolerances. The engine oils you put in have to be of an equally high standard, and the manufacturers are continually researching new and improved products.

But nothing lasts forever. Over time, the oil will lose some of its viscosity (ability to flow) and will pick up enough dirt and water in suspension that it needs to be replaced. Engine manufacturers generally recommend an oil change every 5,000 to 6,000 km. If you do nothing else in the way of preventive maintenance, do these oil changes. They are the single most effective thing you can do for long engine life. And at about \$20 per oil change, it is also one of the cheapest.

Are all oils the same? Should you just put any kind of oil in your car? The short answer is no – not all oils are equal. All oils conform to high standards. The biggest difference is in the additives that each company adds. These additives will enhance the oil's cleaning effects in the engine, will lay down a protective layer on the metal walls to reduce internal friction, and help the oil to resist thermal and viscosity breakdown.

There are also other additives or oil treatments you can buy separately. Such additives can help any oil remove engine deposits, protect engine parts, and improve fuel consumption. They are available at automotive stores or wherever you get your oil changed.

The Car Care Council answers some common questions about motor oil:

Q. My owner's manual says I need an

API (American Petroleum Institute) service rate SF engine oil. All I can find is SG. Is that okay?

A. Yes. The API service ratings proceed in alphabetical order, so SG is a higher standard than SF. Owner's manuals typically say "use SF or higher oils", for example. However, you shouldn't put an SF oil into an engine that requires SG – that could void your warranty and shorten your engine life.

Q. What's a multigrade oil?

A. The grade of an engine oil describes its viscosity (ability to flow). At lower temperatures, oil thickens and doesn't flow as easily – like molasses in January. The lower the number, the more easily it will flow at low temperatures. Multigrades are oils that contain additives called viscosity index improvers, and so they offer a range of viscosities (e.g. 5W30). The lower the number in front of the "W", the greater the oil's ability to flow at low temperature. The number after

the "W" indicates the oil's viscosity rating at normal engine operating temperatures. The "W" in the grade stands for winter.

Q. Do I need a different oil in summer?

A. Your owner's manual will tell you what grade of oil your car needs. Most newer cars use a 5W30 oil year round. Older cars may need a bit more viscosity to keep the protective film on the cylinder walls. You'll probably need to use a 10W30 in the summer, switching to a 5W30 in winter for better starting and cold performance.

Q. Should I change the oil filter every time I change the oil?

A. Most owner's manuals call for a filter change every second oil change. However, the filter collects all the sludge and dirt from the engine, and your clean oil will be running through a dirty filter after every second oil change. Canadians average 2.8 oil changes per year. The difference between changing the filter every

time and every second time is not much more than \$5 a year. Considering the importance of clean oil to your engine, it's awfully cheap insurance to change the filter every time. If nothing else, be sure to follow the instructions in your owner's manual.

Q. Can I mix different brands of engine oil?

A. Yes, if you must. Because all oils are manufactured to API and SAE standards, you can mix different brands. Because every company has its own additives aimed at enhancing the oil's performance in your engine, you should not make a habit of mixing them – you'll get the best performance by using the same oil. At a pinch, it's better to add a litre of 5W30 to an engine running on 10W30 than to run with low oil, but it's not a good idea to mix grades.

Q. How often should I check my oil?

A. Get to know your car. Some engines burn more oil than others, and you may have to add a litre of oil once or twice between oil changes. Others don't burn much oil. Check it regularly, whenever you get gas or at least once a week. If you've been driving, give the oil a few minutes to settle back into the sump. Then pull the dipstick out, wipe it off, put it back in all the way, and pull it out again.

MYTHS & FACTS

Myth: When using your jumper cables, the red cable should be clamped to the red-coloured positive battery terminals. Not all jumper cables have a red wire, and not all batteries are marked red on the

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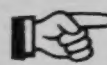


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Beyond sensible trip planning and conservative driving, several conditions under the hood and around the car can be corrected to conserve gas. "Underinflated tires waste fuel," says Rich White, spokesman for the Car Care Council. "You can improve your gas mileage by about 3% just by maintaining proper tire pressure, a factor that's high on the failure rate in our National Car Care Month check lanes.

"Chalk up another 10% for a clogged air filter plus a conservative 4% for engine malfunctions such as worn spark plugs and faulty fuel and emission control systems. Correcting these conditions can improve mileage by as much as 40%!"

Among other fuel wasters are dirty oil, a malfunctioning automatic transmission and a cooling system thermostat that keeps the engine running cold. Engines are designed to operate within a specific temperature range for optimum efficiency. Slow down! According to the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency and the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, a vehicle loses about one percent in fuel economy for each one mile per hour driven above 55 m.p.h. Although this formula should be adjusted for different car models and ages, consider that a car which averages 30 miles per gallon at 55 m.p.h. would get 28.5 m.p.g. at 60 m.p.h., 27 m.p.g. at 65 m.p.h., and 25.5 m.p.g. at 70 m.p.h.

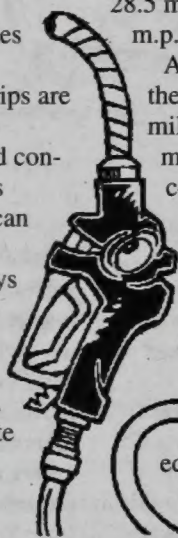
A final consideration: according to the U.S. Department of Energy, if 145 million passenger vehicles idle for five minutes a day, which is not unusual considering the numerous drive-in facilities throughout our nation, approximately four million gallons of gasoline are consumed. That's gas being wasted, going nowhere. Idling is sometimes necessary in traffic jams, but while waiting at drive-in windows, or to pick up a passenger it's more economical to cut the engine if the wait is longer than 30 seconds.

Starting up your car again actually uses less gasoline.

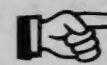
"Breaking old habits doesn't come easily," concludes White. "Being car care aware, on the other hand, is a habit that should be easy to form. The incentives are there in dollars and cents."

The Car Care Council is the source of information for the "Be Car Care Aware" consumer education campaign, providing information about the benefits of proper vehicle maintenance and repair.

For more information visit www.carcare.org.



Size matters with tires

 Looking for a way to occupy the kids on a vacation trip? Assign them the project of comparing odometer readings with highway mileage markers. A tenth of a mile or two difference in a ten mile stretch is not unusual. Oversized tires will cause your odometer to read low, as well as your speedometer. Caution: the tire size excuse may not hold water with the trooper who says you're going faster than your speedometer indicates.

New tires, with full tread, make more revolutions per mile than do bald tires. What happens to all that rubber that's worn off millions of tires? It's accumulated in an invisible pile alongside our nation's highways, says the Car Care Council. Some of this rubber was scrubbed off because the wheels are out of alignment. (Remember how you can wear out a pencil eraser with the back and forth motion on paper?)

Imagine a car, driven about 12,000 miles a year, going down the road with wheels misaligned by just 0.17 inches. The driver must constantly tug at the wheel to keep the car going straight. In effect, the tires are being dragged sideways for the equivalent of 68 miles over the course of a year. This condition, along with underinflation,

increases rolling resistance. End result, tires are wasted away and fuel economy as your gas goes out the exhaust.

It's costly neglect. The solution: keep tires properly inflated and wheels aligned and balanced. As with so many services, wheel alignment has become a computerized business. Sophisticated equipment calculates the vehicle's measurements and compares this information with the original equipment specifications from the vehicle manufacturer.

The technician then makes necessary adjustments and, if necessary, replaces worn components. Some front wheel drive cars have adjustable rear wheels, which also may need alignment.

How do you know if your tires are wearing too quickly or unevenly? Steering irregularities, such as pulling in one direction or wandering, indicate either one tire underinflated or wheels misaligned. Your alignment or tire expert can recognize and diagnose abnormal tread wear patterns, says the Council. Determining and correcting the cause of abnormal wear can save a lot of money and go a long way toward improving the handling of the vehicle.

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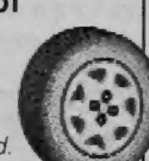
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You know where they're going to be as soon as you wash your car. Bird droppings have a high acid content, so they are one of the worst threats to your car's finish. Along with tree sap and spills of gasoline or other automotive fluids, these are things you should wash off immediately.

Does it really matter whether you wash your car regularly? Sure, it's nice to get into a clean car, but your time is valuable. Consider the following information, which is based on auto auction reports on typical four to seven-year-old cars, as reported by the US Car Care Council.

Paints have changed over the years. And car care products have changed with them. Use the right cleaner for your car, inside and out, to get the best results. For example, a vinyl cleaner for inside the car will have some additives to help your dash resist cracking on a hot summer's day. But you want a different formulation for a vinyl roof to resist rain and dust.

Touch up any scratches or dents right away. Corrosion happens fastest to bare metal, so don't let there be any! The seven or eight litres of paint on your car

are all that stand between the rust demon and your car.

Brake pads have changed, too. The new types of brake pad generate a black dust that can be difficult to clean. There are special tire and wheel cleaners that will keep your wheels looking their best. And if there is anything wrong, like an underinflated tire or wheels needing alignment, you're more likely to spot it if you don't have to look through a screen of dirt and brake dust.

Your car's interior is also worth attention. Some auto appraisers will tell you that a clean interior has more impact on the car's

resale value than the exterior. Use the right products, designed for automotive applications. Household cleaners are not designed for use in cars, and may not give you the results you want. In cars, there are typically two types of stains – protein, and oil/grease.

Protein stains need an enzyme treatment, while the oil and grease stains call for a heavy duty shampoo containing degreasing agents.

Don't neglect your windows. Your vision of the road is your best defence against accidents, so don't let a cloudy windshield or

back window put you in danger. Use a good quality commercial cleaner, and cut it with rubbing alcohol if you must. If any of that alcohol gets on your paint, flush it away with lots of water.

As we move into spring and summer, there's one more thing to think about – bugs. Bugs are like bird droppings on your paint, corrosive and unsightly. There are cleaners specifically formulated to remove bugs from your grill and bumpers.

And when you're cleaning your car, pop the hood and flush the bugs off the front of your radiator.

Bugs will reduce the ability of the radiator to reject heat. Be careful when you're doing this not to bend the fins on the radiator – either use a hose to rinse away the bugs, or use a wire brush carefully, brushing side to side rather than up and down.

How about commercial car washes? Well, sure, but stay with the soft cloth type. If your car wash uses a brush, the bristles may get stiff or clogged with dirt, and that can scratch your finish.

Is there any difference between a new car finish and a repaint? Indeed there is. New car finishes can be baked to a harder finish than is possible in a repaint situation.

That doesn't mean there's any difference in the quality of the paint, but you'll have to baby the finish for the first 90 days. That means hand washing with cool water, trying to avoid extremes of heat and cold (park in a garage if possible), and no dry wiping.

So to make sure your car has that special glow, wash it once a week and give it a protective wax in the spring and fall.

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MYTHS & FACTS

Myth: All automatic-transmission fluids are the same.

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Myth: Revving the engine before turning it off makes it easier to start.

This practice can hurt the car. Unburned gasoline can wash lubricating oil from internal engine surfaces, creating extra wear when the engine starts again. Revving also speeds a turbocharger while cutting off its oil supply. A turbocharged engine should idle for 30 seconds before stopping.

Myth: Only front wheels need to be aligned.

With independent rear suspension, the rear must be adjusted as frequently as the front. A misaligned rear suspension causes tires to wear out faster by wearing unevenly.

Myth: Front-drive cars can take slipper curves faster.

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